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In re the Application of **Sherrer, et al.**

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FOR MAKING

Examiner: Akm E. Ullah

Group Art Unit: 2874

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In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants are submitting herewith a Form PTO-1449 and a copy of the references listed thereon. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. In the event a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fees to deposit account no. 04-1406. In addition, the Examiner's attention is drawn to the following co-pending application. By disclosing the below listed application Applicants do not waive the secrecy of the application, a copy of which is enclosed.

METHOD FOR MAKING FIBER ARRAY HAVING PROTRUDING OPTICAL FIBERS  
AND RESULTING FIBER ARRAY

Serial Number: 09/814,128


Filing Date: March 22, 2001

Inventor: David W. Sherrer

Applicants respectfully request full and proper consideration of the listed information during examination of the application, and that the listed information be printed on any patent that issues therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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